

Short Science Fiction Collection 045

Science Fiction is speculative literature that generally explores the consequences of ideas which are roughly consistent with nature and scientific method, but are not facts of the author's contemporary world. The stories often represent philosophical thought experiments presented in entertaining ways. Protagonists typically "think" rather than "shoot" their way out of problems, but the definition is flexible because there are no limits on an author's imagination. The reader-selected stories presented here were written prior to 1962 and became US public domain texts when their copyrights expired. (Summary by Gregg Margarite). Total running time: 08:27:01.

- Δ The Beginning by Henry Hasse 00:43:01 Read by Kevin Green
- Δ The Big Trip Up Yonder by Kurt Vonnegut, Jr 00:20:46 Read by Clay Readnour
- Δ Blessed are the meek by GC Edmondson 00:11:38 Read by om123
- Δ Control Group by Roger Dee 00:36:25 Read by Lars Rolander
- $\Delta \qquad \textit{Disqualified}$ by Charles L. Fontenay 00:05:40 Read by B. W. Baugh
- Δ Earthmen Bearing Gifts by Fredric Brown 00:04:53 Read by salambander
- Δ The Heist on Thizar by Randall Garrett 00:26:06 Read by Steve Mattingly
- Δ The Mightiest Man by Patrick Fahy 00:12:30 Read by Bellona Times
- Δ Missing Link by Frank Patrick Herbert 00:34:00 Read by KirksVoice
- $\Delta \qquad \textit{Moonglow} \text{ by G. L. Vandenburg} 00:11:48$ Read by Christopher Maust
- Δ Next Door, Next World by Robert Donald Locke 01:09:57 Read by Lars Rolander
- Δ Spies Die Hard! by Arnold Marmor 00:05:57 Read by B. W. Baugh
- Δ The Sword and the Atopen by Taylor H. Greenfield 00:19:10 Read by RufusUK
- Δ The Wall of Death by Victor Rousseau 01:07:49 Read by Delmar H. Dolbier
- Δ We didn't do anything wrong, hardly by Roger Kuykendall 00:12:32 Read by Stevan Simmons
- Δ Where There's Hope by Jerome Bixby 00:15:23 Read by loubet
- Δ Wizard by Larry M Harris 00:43:03 Read by Kevin Green
- Δ Zen by Jerome Bixby 00:21:41 Read by loubet

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